s17 Geometric Series Exam (EXAM v397)

Question 1

Consider the partial geometric series represented below with first term a = 750, common ratio $r = \left(\frac{17}{25}\right)^{1/10}$, and n = 10 terms.

$$S \ = \ 750 + 721.63 + 694.33 + 668.06 + 642.78 + 618.47 + 595.07 + 572.56 + 550.89 + 530.05$$

We can multiply both sides by r.

$$rS = 721.63 + 694.33 + 668.06 + 642.78 + 618.47 + 595.07 + 572.56 + 550.89 + 530.05 + 510$$

What is the value of S - rS?

Question 2

Consider the geometric series shown below, using ellipsis notation to indicate a continuation of the pattern without writing every term.

$$S = 6 + 6(4) + 6(4)^{2} + 6(4)^{3} + \cdots + 6(4)^{74} + 6(4)^{75} + 6(4)^{76} + 6(4)^{77}$$

Identify the initial term, the common ratio, and the number of terms.

Question 3

Write a proof for the partial geometric series formula.

- a. Define the variables.
- b. Write the sum using variables and ellipsis notation. You can implicitly assume the number of terms is more than the number of terms you choose to write.
- c. Using annotated algebraic manipulation, produce the partial geometric series formula.